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Applicant(s): Stephen Strickland
Serial No.: 10/810,431
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING OPERATION OF A
DATA STORAGE SYSTEM
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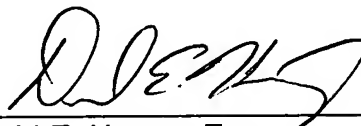
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2006, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

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